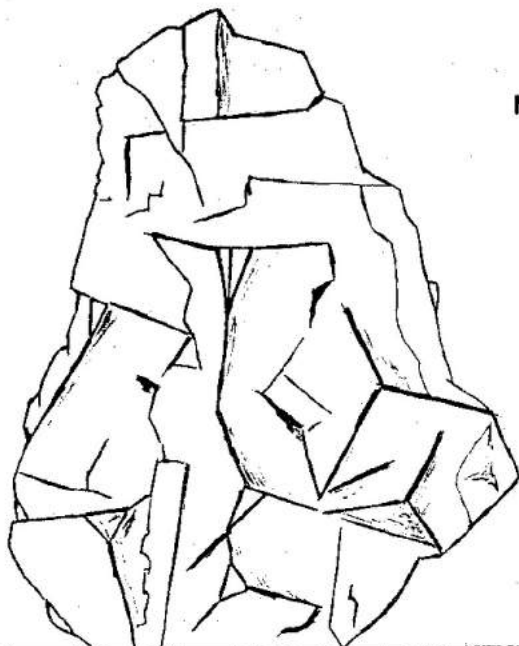


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Chris Yardley Memorial Trophy

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Editorial

In recent issues I've had problems with late distribution, so from this issue onwards all Newsletters not distributed on the first day of issue will be posted straight away. Whilst this policy will inevitably mean increased costs, I hope it will also mean that the newsletter is more relevant to more people.

Even the enticement of a chocolate cream egg couldn't get one single response from Dave Brodie's front page plea for a more exciting name for this tome. As a result for the moment the name remains the same though the offer is still open.

For this issue the title is reduced mainly because I couldn't be bothered to write 'letter'. Also this issue is a bit smaller than usual mainly because I'm a bit tied up with the club champs. I hope you enjoy it never the less.

Hwyl

Steve

On the 4th of June the BGO regional programme 'Look North' had a small piece on the British and two DWO orienteers were shown, one with a speaking part! First on was Brian Gibbs showing good punching technique at the last control. Undoubtedly the star part however was Terry Richardson resplendent in DWO 'O'suit (perhaps that's why they picked him out). At the finish he was very courteous saying thank you to the official who gave him his map reclaim ticket. Much better than John Dyson's little speech.

Thanks to all contributors and Dave Brodie for printing.

The next issue should be out in Early August. Articles please by the end of July

NEWS

First of all the continuing saga of the DVO 'O' suits. Because the old suits tend to fall apart, Terrain Sports will be making up free of charge a completely new set of suits made of different materials. All who bought a 'O' suit should have been measured for the new suits. Even better is the fact that we will not have to send back our old suits. Lets hope that this ends the problems. Luckily our tent has shown no self - destruct tendencies though admittedly it has only made two appearances.

At the most recent business meeting nothing new was decided except the officials for the interregionals next year. Rob Shooter sort of volunteered to be organiser, whilst I understand Dave Nevell is willing to do the planning. We shall also be having another go at the Compassport Cup though at the time Graham Johnson seemed a bit doubtful about our entry. Perhaps this next year we shall have an easy team like Nottingham in the first round.

Socially the highlight has been the hastily scheduled Ice Skating at Nottingham. A very good turnout from DVO showed the rest of the skaters that whilst we may be very nimble in the forest some of us are most definitely not so nimble on the ice. Special mention must be made of Ian Whitehead who made a spectacular debut on the ice. Following his maxim of never doing things by halves he probably fell the most. Once whilst falling backwards with arms flailing he managed to hit me quite hard in the mouth. This meant that I couldn't skate for quite a while though mainly because I couldn't stop laughing over him falling.

For the future nothing has been finalised though both buggy racing and a visit to Alton Towers. If you are interested in either of these then give your name to myself and I will ensure it is passed on.

* As you may notice in this issue on several events including the British and the JK. This is mainly because I have no results, but I can say that we have some Champions in the club. At the JK our only champion was Zoe Wilkinson in D11, though the ladies did win the D35 relay; At the British we had two champions, Zoe once more in W11 and also Jenny Tennant in W50. Congratulations to all our winners.

Also missing from this issue is a new competition, however I do have the result of the last competition. Two attempts were handed to me, Mike Gardner and Ian Whitehead but the clear winner is Ian with 23 areas. I've no doubt Ian will not be slow to claim his prize. Areas found are listed below.

Aston (Firs)	Sandringham	Pennmachno
Ulpha Park	Robin (Wood)	Inver
Pembrey	Strines	The Bin
Lickey Hills	Wass	High Dam
Shoal Hill	Glyn	Leen Valley
Grace Dieu	Lawn (Wood)	Crich
Linley (Big Wood)	Mable	Ilkley
Cotgrave	Shining Cliff	

One submitted by Mike though a bit dubious is Carr as in Castle Carr. Hopefully there will be another competition in the next issue.

Finally some changes of addresses.
The Buckleys have already moved to 253 Duffield Road, Allestree.
Meetings will be held here starting with a business meeting on the 27th June.
The Whiteheads will be moving around the end of July to 11 Bowler Drive, Kilburn.

* Corrected Sentence: As you may notice in this issue several event reports, including the British and the JK, are missing.
(As elsewhere my fingers were going quicker than my brain. This doesn't say a lot for the speed of my brain.)

NORTHERN CHAMPS

This year's Northern Championships were held in the Lake District on an area of open moorland called Torver Low Common. Despite warnings of the technical difficulty of the area it turned out to be simpler than many of the other Lakeland areas. At least that was if you used the large hills as rough features and the distinct marshes as attack points. The good weather on the day also reduced the difficulty of the area making for clear visibility. Unfortunately the long trip up to the event must have tired most people out, apart from Brenda Bibby who won W40B. In some cases it could have been the singing outside Youth Hostels, they were so bad people were throwing money at them to leave, or it could have been the darts epic going on to the early hours. Whatever it was it didn't seem to matter too much as most people seemed to enjoy the event. However, one criticism must be the number of legs on the long courses planned along the edge of the map, where, in fact, the fastest route choice was off the map. What made this worse was that off the map was the training area, so if you had been there the previous day you had an advantage.

On a personal level this was my first M21E course and I found it much more physical than the M21A course (I seemed to run out of stamina over the last 4k - hitting the wall?). However, technically it seemed identical to M21A. I think there is a bigger gap between the top elite runners and the average M21A than most people think, but this gap is mainly physical and the ability to use your extra stamina to help you navigate well.

M10	A. Buckley	6th	33.17	W10	K. Buckley	12th	59.10
M11	A. Robson	19th	48.43		T. Wilkinson	15th	68.16
M13A	J. Seaston	10th	44.11	W11	Z. Wilkinson	7th	30.41
M13B	R. Nowak	2nd	45.21	W15A	I. Robson	22nd	57.12
	C. Winter	6th	51.29	W17A	E. Robson	10th	67.38
	I. McCamley	11th	62.52	W21A	K. Hanstock	19th	84.26
	K. Radford	13th	81.03	W21B	V. Johnson	3rd	53.38
	J. Baker	14th	82.25		L. Nicklin	5th	56.42
M17A	S. Farnworth	13th	60.24		K. Whitehead	16th	65.33
M21E	D. Nevell	6th	75.15	W35A	J. Buckley	7th	56.15
	E. Harwood	18th	81.16		J. Thornley	12th	60.52
	M. Gardner	68th	95.50	W40A	D. Wilkinson	8th	58.42
M21A	S. Kimberley	15th	77.54	W40B	B. Bibby	1st	45.36
	R. Shooter	51st	89.29	W50	J. Tennant	2nd	47.46
	D. Brodie	53rd	90.05				
M21B	A. Clayton	9th	76.55				
	I. Nicklin	50th	102.54				
	G. Johnson	66th	117.41				
M35A	T. Thornley	5th	70.25				
	S. Buckley	23rd	80.12				
M35B	A. Platt	15th	78.09				
M40A	R. Wilkinson	6th	65.58				
M45A	B. Bibby	22nd	65.56				

Mike Gardner

BRITISH RELAYS & INTERREGIONALS

This event was marked by injuries or illness for the men and prizes for the women. Dave Nevell withdrew through illness and Tony Thornley injured his ankle at the training event. This meant we couldn't field our best teams for either the Mens Open or the M35 class. As replacements I was brought up from the Open 2nd team whilst Barry Bibby was moved from the third team to the M35 class. Perhaps as a result of these changes neither team did as well as expected, though both still finished in respectable positions, with the Mens Open team coming 12th and the M35 team coming in 6th. By contrast the ladies teams had no team problems and did even better. The W35 team repeated their victory at the JK in even better style as they led from start to finish. In the end their winning margin was over five minutes. Also in the prizes were the W17 team, which came second, a very good performance when you consider that Gingy Robson is a W15 and Zoe Wilkinson a W11. In the Ladies Open class a respectable position, 10th, was obtained by the team of Lindsay Nicklin, W21, Kathy Hanstock, W21, and Jenny Tennant, W50. All results are listed below.

The courses themselves seemed to be well planned and at least the big climb from the start got rid of the climb early on. What I found more worrying was the fact that all the Mens Open courses had a common first control which must have led to some chaos on the first leg. I also didn't like the relay system used, which to my mind did not give sufficient variety in the courses. Perhaps our region can do better next year.

Mens Open Class

12	DVO Boys (Eddie Harwood, Steve Kimberley, Mike Gardner)	150.02
39	DVO Chaps (Andy Thomson, Kev Cunniffe, Rob Shooter)	184.01
	DVO Lads (Ian Nicklin, Eddie Harwood, Steve Buckley)	Leg 2 Retired.

Womens Open Class

10	DVO Maidens (Lindsay Nicklin, Jenny Tennant, Kathy Hanstock)	205.36
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W17 Class

2	DVO Damsells (Zoe Wilkinson, Gingy Robson, Elisabeth Robson)	128.49
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W35 Class

1	DVO Ladies (Deborah Wilkinson, Jo Thornley, Judy Buckley)	112.05
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M35 Class

6	DVO Gentlemen (Steve Buckley, Barry Bibby, Roger Wilkinson)	139.41
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A much depleted DVO contingent competed in the interregionals, though most members counted for the East Midlands (not too hard with only 13 people counting for the East Midlands). The area itself was fairly complex with a lot of undergrowth particularly brombles. Despite this it was very fast, mainly as a result of an extensive, though irregular path system combined with the flat area. In the thicker areas control finding was complicated by the fact that not all ditches, or small remnants, were mapped. Another feature of the longer courses was a timed road crossing over the A325.

DVO's results were not generally that good. Two exceptions were Brenda Bibby coming first in W40B and Eddie Harwood coming 11th in M21A against very strong competition. Other positions are shown below. Personally I found the event very good, though lacking the atmosphere of other 'name' events.

W21	M21	W40B
41 K Hanstock	11 E Harwood	1 B Bibby
W21B	75 S Kimberley	
8 K Whitehead	82 I Whitehead	W45A
		13 B Bibby

ROGERS NOVELTY EVENT

Two minutes before I started I was sure that the novelty promised in Rogers event was Norwegian Map Memory, and I felt confident I could handle that. As soon as I started however, it became clear that things were not quite as I thought. Straight away I was confronted with a blank map, and the clue 'Easternmost boulder south of track'. Definitely different. After finding that control with little difficulty, my next map had three controls marked with the instruction to 'Go to boulder 37.5 metres below present position'. Panic whilst I try to remember what the contour interval is. With a little prompting from Val Johnson I decide that its 7.5m and proceed onwards. All the controls introduced little problems like that, but eventually, with the help of a few mini-conferences on the way, I manage to get round the course. The nastiest novelty was as a result of one of the easiest legs. At number 4 the instruction was simply 'follow red tapes to No 5'. So off I went charging through the young trees following tape till I got to the next control. Dead easy! Unfortunately there was a mild case of shock as I read the next instruction, 'If at point A go to control X, if at point B go to Y, if at C go to Z'. I, for one, had paid little attention to where I had just been and so it took a while for me to decide where I was. Discussing this later it seems that quite a few people went blindly following the tape, paying little attention to where they were. Judy Buckley made things even harder for herself by not having a compass. This caused problems especially on the legs which were just pacing and bearing.

Results are shown below. All timings are approximate and to some extent I've had to guess which course people where on.

Norwegian Map Memory

1	Dave Nevell	40 mins
2	Mike Gardner	43
3	Steve Kimberley	44
4	John Hurley	45
5	Ian Whitehead	49
6	John Hopper	50
7	Dave Brodie	51
7	Judy Buckley	51
9	Kevin Cunniffe	54
10	Andy Thomsson	56
11	John Cunniffe	58
12	Jenny Tennant	62
13	Terry Richardson	68
14	Paul Armstrong	69
15	Terry Peach	80
16	Steve Davis	74

Doug Dickinson DNF
Malcolm Bridges DNF

Course B

1	Andy Shepherd	41 mins
2	Brenda & Barry Bibby	46
3	Val Johnson	52
4	Kath Whitehead	58
5	Lindsay Nicklin	63
	Hutch?	62
	(Anyone lay claim to the above name?)	
	Times were not recorded for the people below	
	Jeanette Shepherd	
	Alison Kempson	

'8 controls only

A question to finish this article. Did anyone find out what was causing the peculiar noise towards the end of the course?

There is no record of times for course A.

DARLEY PARK RELAYS

Although Steve and John won fairly easily, there was quite a battle for 2nd place with three teams finishing close together after much place changing. Sorry about the stolen controls but these things do happen on open parkland. Also I surveyed the area for control sites before Easter in an attempt to be efficient and not leave things to the last minute as usual. However the vegetation had grown considerably in the intervening period causing difficulty in placing controls.

I hope these two factors did not detract too much from an event which was intended to be fairly physical. Six times up Darley Park Hill in 6.5K is demanding but it is a tremendous speed - endurance session.

How many of you would have had such a hard training session if you had stayed at home?

Finally thanks to Derby Parks Leisure Services, Jean for registration and Ian Whitehead for timing.

Kevin Cunniffe.

		LONG COURSE	1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	S Kimberley / John Hurley	121111	13.06	25.41	35.48	46.34	58.21	69.57
2.	G Johnson / M Gardner	434342	21.54	31.45	44.02	54.02	65.59	74.08
3.	T Richardson / D Dickinson	213433	14.02	25.09	41.49	54.39	65.09	74.15
4.	D Brodie / A Thomson	332224	20.14	31.45	41.30	52.19	63.09	75.04
5.	D Walker / J Cunniffe	555555	23.26	40.31	52.08	64.46	75.44	93.38

		SHORT COURSE	1	2	3	4
1.	K Whitehead / L Nicklin	2111	16.53	35.35	57.03	71.29
2.	L Glossop / D Jarvis	3332	34.32	58.27	79.55	96.47
3.	L Dickinson / H Dickinson	122R	16.42	56.37	71.47	No run

Course A	Course B	Course C
1. D Brodie 9.45	1. M Gardner 8.09	1. M Gardner 9.51
2. M Gardner 10.00	2. D Dickinson 9.06	2. T Richardson 10.30
3. A Thomson 10.47	3. S Kimberley 10.07	3. D Brodie 10.52
4. D Dickinson 11.07	4. John Hurley 10.46	4. D Walker 10.58
5. D Walker 11.37	5. A Thomson 11.55	5. A Thomson 11.31
6. J Hurley 11.55	6. G Johnson 11.57	6. J Hurley 11.36
7. G Johnson 12.17	7. L Nicklin 14.26	7. S Kimberley 11.47
8. J Cunniffe 12.38	8. L Dickinson 15.10	8. D Dickinson 12.50
9. S Kimberley 13.46	9. T Richardson 16.40	9. J Cunniffe 17.54
10. T Richardson 14.02	10. D Jarvis 16.52	10. G Johnson 21.54
11. L Dickinson 16.42	11. J Cunniffe 17.05	11. D Jarvis 23.55
12. K Whitehead 16.55	12. D Brodie 20.14	12. L Glossop 34.32
13. L Nicklin 18.42	13. L Glossop 21.28	
	14. K Whitehead 21.28	
	15. D Walker 23.26	
	16. H Dickinson 39.37	

